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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 06 August 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 5/01/2004. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Specification

2. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: On page 6 of the specification should be 1a) grooves to hold stem in place and also on page 7 grooves (1a) hold the stem in place when not being used, instead of (1).

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 1,2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Blood (U.S. patent No. 4,613,866).

As per claim 1, Blood discloses a stylus (In fig.2, 3 element 14) for a handheld computer (element 16 In fig.3 a hand operated keypad In col.3 line 24) having a stylus body which is hollow cylinder (In fig.2 element 43 which is a part of element 40 and In

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col.4 lines 45-46) made of plastic (in col.4 lines 50-54 material such as nylon read as plastic); a stem (In fig.2 element 40 and In col.4 line 47) with a felt tip (element 32 In fig.2 and In col.4 line 50-51) as a marking tool (as shown in fig.3).

As per claim 2, Blood discloses the stem (In fig.2 element 40 and In col.4 lines 45-46) with the felt tip (In fig.2 element 32) is inserted into the body to function as a marking tool (as shown in fig.3 element 14) for a hand held (as shown in fig.2 connection of parts 32,43, and 40 and in col.4 lines 34-36).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

5. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

6. Claim 3 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Blood (U.S. patent No. 4,613,866) in view of Ooura et al., (U.S. Patent No. 5,999,170).

As per claim 3, Blood discloses a stylus body (In fig.2).

Blood does not specifically teach a stylus body is made of metal.

In the same field of endeavor Ooura shows stylus body is made of metal (In col.1 lines 24-25 and 30-35 and In col.3 lines 33-37). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, at the time of the invention was made to have incorporated the teaching of stylus made of metal body as taught by Ooura's with handheld device of Blood's because it would have operated on a surface of the display with operator grips firmly thereby inputting the coordinate position.

Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nitin Patel whose telephone number is 571-272-7677. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Bipin H. Shalwala can be reached on 571-272-7681. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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	B	US-5,999,170	12-1999	Ooura et al.	345/179
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